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(U) Burbank – Two Men Impersonating Police Officers Perform Carjacking

(U) Two people impersonating police officers handcuffed two victims and held them at gunpoint in a weekend carjacking in Burbank. Police responded to North Naomi Street Saturday and found two carjacking victims in handcuffs. The victims said they had been carjacked by two people at gunpoint. The carjackers were wearing shirts with the word "POLICE" on the front. They barked a series of commands and told the occupants to get out of the car and put their hands up. No injuries were reported, and the suspects are still at large.

SOURCE: 3 May 2021, NBC Los Angeles

(U) San Francisco – Two Asian Women Stabbed in Downtown San Francisco, Suspect Arrested

(U) Authorities arrested a man who they say is suspected of stabbing two Asian women without warning in downtown San Francisco on Tuesday. Officers were sent to 4th and Stockton streets shortly before 5 p.m. and found the wounded women, who were taken to a hospital. There was no immediate word on their conditions. Witnesses told local reporters that a man clutching a knife was walking down Market Street when he approached a bus stop, stabbed the women, and then walked away. Police didn't immediately indicate whether the women were specifically targeted or whether the attack might be a hate crime.

SOURCE: 5 May 2021, USA Today

(U) San Gabriel - Man Charged with Arson in Fire That Damaged Historic San Gabriel Mission

(U) A man was charged Tuesday with setting a fire last summer that devastated the historic San Gabriel Mission. John David Corey, 57, faces two felony counts of arson of an inhabited structure and one count each of arson during a state of emergency, first-degree residential burglary, and possession of flammable material. He is accused of breaking into the historic mission and starting a fire that quickly spread to the roof and burned the length of the church.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, NBC Los Angeles

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(U) District of Columbia - Donations to Proud Boys Could Be Linked to Anti-Communism

(U) Washington – A large group of Chinese Americans have recently donated to the far-right group the Proud Boys. The donors gave money in hopes that the gang will oppose "communism" in the US. People with Chinese surnames donated nearly \$85,000 to the group's recent online fundraising campaign, USA Today reported. The campaign sought to pay the medical bills of members stabbed during clashes in Washington during December 2020.

SOURCE: 5 May 2021, Newsweek

(U) Minnesota - Second 'Boogaloo Boi' Pleads Guilty After Selling Weapons to Undercover Agent

(U) New Brighton – A Minnesota man pleaded guilty Tuesday to conspiring with what he thought was

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Hamas, a designated foreign terrorist organization (FTO), to provide material support and resources for use against Israeli and the US military units overseas. Michael Solomon, 31, of New Brighton, Minnesota became the second member of the "Boogaloo Bois" to pled guilty in the case. Solomon and his coconspirator Benjamin Teeter, 22, members of a sub-group called the "Boojahideen," held several meetings in June 2020 with "a confidential human source" and an undercover FBI agent, both of whom the defendants believed to be members of Hamas, according to DOJ.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, Daily Caller

(U) Nebraska – Armed Airport Barricade Suspect Involved in Previous Incidents

(U) Grand Island – A 19-year-old Phillips man was arrested Tuesday afternoon after he allegedly barricaded himself inside of a private jet at Central Nebraska Regional Airport in Grand Island. He exited the plane and surrendered after Grand Island police fired chemical munitions through an open door. As he left the plane, the man was carrying an AR-15-style rifle. Police said the man was also previously involved in a disturbance at a National Guard facility and another situation at Kearney High School where he allegedly attempted to gain access.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, KHGI

(U) Virginia – Former Atomwaffen Division Leader Sentenced for Swatting Conspiracy

(U) Alexandria – A former leader of the Atomwaffen Division in Texas, a racially motivated violent extremist group, was sentenced to 41-months in prison for his role in a conspiracy that conducted multiple swatting events targeting journalists, a Virginia university, a former US Cabinet member, a historic African American church, an Islamic Center in Arlington, Texas, and members of various minority groups and communities across the US. According to court documents, John Cameron Denton, 27, of Montgomery, Texas, participated in a conspiracy that conducted swatting attacks on at least 134 different locations across the US between October 2018 and February 2019.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, US DOJ

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Brazil – Teenager Kills Three Kids, Two Workers at Daycare Center

(U) Saudades – A teenager broke into a daycare center in southern Brazil and stabbed three children and two workers to death on Tuesday before being overpowered by police, officials said. Municipal Education Secretary Gisela Hermann told news media in a telephone interview that a female teacher and an educational assistant were among the dead. She added that other children would likely be hospitalized as a result of the attack. A local school board official said the attack happened around 10 a.m. local time. The teenager was taken into police custody after trying to kill himself, she said. SOURCE: 4 May 2021, Reuters

(U) Columbia – Armed Groups Responsible for Protest Violence, Death Toll Still Unclear

(U) Bogota – Colombia's defense minister on Monday blamed illegal armed groups for looting and vandalism during five-days of street protests but would not confirm how many demonstrators had died. The protests, which began last week, demanded the withdrawal of a tax reform proposed by the government of President Ivan Duque, who said the legislation would be retracted. Violent groups were financed and organized by leftist guerrillas of the National Liberation Army (ELN) and former FARC rebels who reject a 2016 peace deal. The national human rights ombudsman has identified 18 civilians and one police officer who were killed during five days of protests, while the procurator's office said on Sunday it was investigating connections between the protests and 14 violent deaths.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, Reuters

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(U) Nigeria – More Than 12 Dead After Boko Haram Attack in Ajiri Village

(U) Ajiri – More than one dozen people, including soldiers and civilians, were killed in a terror attack in Ajiri, military sources and residents said Tuesday. On Monday, Boko Haram attacked the town in Borno State 34-miles from the state capital Maiduguri. Militants first attacked an army base and then stormed the town and set houses on fire. A local source claims 10 civilians were killed, while military sources claim five soldiers were killed along with 12 security officials. The attack was the second in two-days on Ajiri, following a raid on Sunday.

SOURCE: 4 May 2021, Anadolu Agency

(U) Norway – Woman Sentenced for Providing Support to ISIS

(U) Oslo – A 30-year-old Norwegian woman, who was repatriated by Norway from a refugee camp in Syria because her son was sick, was sentenced Tuesday to more than three-years in prison by an Oslo court for participating in the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS). The case was a first in Norway. The woman, who has appealed both the sentence and the verdict, was 22-years old when she travelled via Sweden to Syria, where she lived from 2013 to 2019. The woman was not a fighter but as homemaker her role "was highlighted as invaluable supporters who enabled jihad, provided a basis for ISIS recruits to be highly motivated at the front," Oslo District Court Judge Ingemar Nestor Nilsen said. SOURCE: 4 May 2021, AP

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